

**SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY**

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**Senator Sheila Kuehl**, *Legislative Participant*  
**Senator Jack Scott**, *Legislative Participant*  
**Assemblymember Jackie Goldberg**, *Legislative Participant*  
**Assemblymember Paul Koretz**, *Legislative Participant*  
**Assemblymember Fran Pavley**, *Legislative Participant*

**Joseph T. Edmiston**, *FAICP, Executive Director*  
**Rorie A. Skei**, *Chief Deputy Director*  
**John A. Saurenman**, *Supervising Deputy Attorney General*

**Directions to Meeting:**

From the 101 Freeway Southbound: Exit Reyes Adobe and turn right. Make a left turn onto Agoura Road. The Renaissance Agoura Hills Hotel will be immediately on your right.

From the 101 Freeway Northbound: Exit Reyes Adobe and turn left. Make a left turn onto Agoura Road. The Renaissance Agoura Hills Hotel will be immediately on your right.

**Dinner:** Dinner will be available in the Ranch House of the property formerly owned by the Ahmanson Land Company, 25343 Crummer Canyon Road, Calabasas, at 6:00 p.m. for purchase by Conservancy and Advisory Committee members and the general public for \$5.00. Members of the public wishing to purchase dinner should notify the Board Secretary by 3:00 p.m. the Friday prior to the meeting by calling (310) 589-3200 ext. 118.

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call of Conservancy.
3. Roll Call of Advisory Committee.
4. Introduction of Legislative Participants or their staff.
5. Approval of Minutes.

**Meeting Notice and Agenda****Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy**

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**Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy  
Advisory Committee**

**Date:** November 24, 2003

**Time:** 7:30 p.m. — Meeting Convenes  
Public Testimony 8:00 p.m. to conclusion or 9:00 p.m. — whichever is earlier; Conservancy and Advisory Committee deliberations — 9:00 p.m. or at the conclusion of the public testimony to adjournment.

**Location:** Renaissance Agoura Hills Hotel  
30100 Agoura Road  
Agoura Hills, California 91301

**Field Trip:** Meet at the Renaissance Agoura Hills Hotel at 3:00 p.m. for a tour of the property formerly owned by the Ahmanson Land Company. *No public vehicles are allowed on the property and van space is limited. Members of the public who wish to participate should contact Carla Colden at 310-589-3200, extension 141 by noon on November 21, 2003.*

**Dinner:** Please note that Dinner will not be available at the Renaissance Agoura Hills Hotel. Please read below for Dinner location.

6. Reports:

- a) Chairperson's Report;
- b) Coastal Commission Report;
- c) Attorney General's Report;
- d) National Park Service Report;
- e) State Parks Report;
- f) Forest Service Report;
- g) Legislative Report;
- h) Oral reports by staff;
- i) Questions to staff.

7. Special recognition of former Advisory Committee member Kenneth Warner.

8. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.

9. Comments from members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items.

**Note: The period between 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. has been set aside for public testimony. No public testimony will be taken after 9:00 p.m. The public hearing begins at 8:00 p.m. In the event that all speakers have been heard prior to 9:00 p.m., or upon completion of public hearing, whichever occurs first, the public hearing will be closed and the Conservancy and Advisory Committee deliberations will begin. Individuals will be allowed three minutes to speak and representatives of organizations/agencies will be allowed five minutes to speak. Speaker times may be reduced depending on the number of speakers.**

10. Consent Calender:

- (a) Consideration of resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority accept a conservation easement over a portion of property at 3535 Multiview Drive, Los Angeles.
- (b) Consideration of resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority accept a conservation easement over a portion of properties at 3009, 3025 and 3043 Ellington Drive as part of Parcel Map No. 5588, Los Angeles.
- (c) Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works on the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Sun Valley Watershed Plan, Los Angeles.
- (d) Consideration of resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority apply for Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program grants.
- (e) Consideration of resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority apply for Murray-Hayden grant funds in the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed.
- (f) Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 12 funds to Stuart M. Ketchum Downtown YMCA for the Vista Hermosa project, Los Angeles.
- (g) Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 12 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the Vista Hermosa project, Los Angeles.
- (h) Consideration of resolution authorizing the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to use the Eastern Santa Monica Mountains Contingency Fund to acquire properties within Chapter 8 Agreement No. 2142 within Santa Monica Mountains Open Preservation District Nos. 1 and 2, Los Angeles.
- (i) Consideration of resolution authorizing the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to use the Eastern Santa Monica Mountains Contingency Fund to make payments on Chalk Hills (APNs 2166-013-015 and 016); Cerrillos Drive (APNs 2170-001-029, 030 and 031); Coldwater Canyon Lane (APN 2385-023-014), and dirt Mulholland (APNs 2172-032-005, 006, 007 and 008) properties, Los Angeles.

- (j) Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to acquire properties within Chapter 8 Agreement Nos. 2144 and 2185 in the San Gabriel Mountains, Verdugo Mountains, and Mount Washington, Los Angeles.
  - (k) Consideration of resolution authorizing a nonprofit matching grant of Proposition 40 funds to New Schools Better Neighborhoods for a joint use park development project, Los Angeles.
  - (l) Consideration of resolution adopting a letter of support for the Ventura County Open Space District Advisory Committee recommendations.
- 11. Presentation on Simi Fire, Santa Susana Mountains.
  - 12. Consideration of resolution waiving first right of refusal pursuant to Section 33207 of the Public Resources Code on all or a portion of existing Los Angeles County surplus properties in the Sylvia Park area, Topanga Canyon.\*
  - 13. Consideration of a resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority sell to the California Department of Parks and Recreation 160 acres, County Certificate of Compliance Parcel CC-90-1052 (portion of APN 4448-030-024) located in Tuna Canyon, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
  - 14. Consideration of resolution (a) authorizing the addition of San Gabriel and Sierra Pelona Mountains Connector to the Conservancy Acquisition 2000 Workprogram; (b) authorizing the addition of said project along with Santa Clara River Wildlife Corridor, Newhall Pass Wildlife Corridor - Remainder, and Rocky Peak Adjacent Southport to the Initial Workprogram for the Safe Neighborhood Parks Act of 1996, and (c) recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority enter into a Project Agreement with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District to acquire properties within each project, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
  - 15. Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to the City of Agoura Hills on the Notice of Preparation for the Agoura Village Strategic Plan, Agoura Road.
  - 16. Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of transfer of property (APN 2061-002-907) totaling approximately 80 acres from the City of Agoura Hills, Ladyface Mountain, Agoura Hills.
  - 17. Consideration of resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority authorize acceptance of transfer of properties (APNs 2061-001-902, 2061-033-905, 2055-025-900, 2055-001-028, 2061-002-906) totaling approximately 249 acres from the City of Agoura Hills, Ladyface Mountain and Palo Comado Canyon, Agoura Hills.
  - 18. Consideration of resolution authorizing receipt of grant from the United States Army Corps of Engineers and directing all or a portion of said grant to TreePeople, a tax exempt nonprofit organization, for development of the Center for Community Forestry, Coldwater Canyon Park, Los Angeles.
  - 19. Consideration of resolution adopting the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy FY 02-03 annual report.
  - 20. Closed Session: (The Conservancy may hold a closed session on the following items pursuant to Section 11126 Subdivision (c)(7)(A), Section 11126.3(a), and Section 11126 Subdivision (e) of the Government Code. Confidential memoranda related to the following items may be considered during such closed session discussions.) Discussion and possible action regarding pending and/or potential litigation: *York v. City of Los Angeles*; *City of Malibu v. California Coastal Commission*, *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy et al.*; *Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. California Coastal Commission*; *Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. Soka University of America*, and related cross-complaint: *Soka University of America v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy*.
  - 21. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

\*Coastal Zone item upon which the ex officio member appointed by the California Coastal Commission may vote.

MRCA NOTICE: The Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority will hold a special meeting pursuant to Section 54956 of the Government Code in conjunction with the Conservancy meeting.

*Note: In order to save the expense of duplicating and mailing written materials, the Conservancy and Advisory Committee members will receive meeting materials electronically. Staff reports and other documents will not be mailed to the members nor will they be sent to local public libraries. Most libraries have internet access so the public will continue to have free access to meeting materials on the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy World Wide Web site at <http://www.smmc.ca.gov>. Prior to the meeting, documents that persons would like forwarded to Conservancy and Advisory Committee members must be submitted in Microsoft Word format (MSWord 97 for Windows or above) via e-mail no later than 3:00 p.m. the Friday prior to the Conservancy meeting. Such materials should be sent to [boardsec@smmc.ca.gov](mailto:boardsec@smmc.ca.gov) and in the subject line identify the agenda item number or other subject of the communication. At the meeting the Conservancy and Advisory Committee will accept written communications (46 copies should be submitted in order to have one for each Conservancy and Advisory Committee member, a copy for the Board Secretary, and a public review copy).*

The Conservancy may hold a closed session on any public hearing item pursuant to Section 11126 Subdivision (c)(7)(A), Section 11126.3(a) and Section 11126 Subdivision (e) of the Government Code.

For further information on any agenda item please contact Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Director at (310) 589-3200, extension 112. The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy's agendas are now available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.smmc.ca.gov>.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if you require a disability related modification or accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please call Board Secretary at 310-589-3200, extension 118, at least five days prior to the meeting.